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## June Hogs and Pigs

Ohio's total hog and pig inventory on June 1 was estimated at 2.9 million head, up 200,000 head from a year ago, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Breeding hog inventory, at 190,000 head, was unchanged from last June. Market hog inventory, at 2,710,000 head, was up 8 percent from last year. The average pigs saved per litter for the March to May quarter was 11.00, up 0.4 from the same period last year.

United States inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2018 was 73.5 million head. This was up 3 percent from June 1, 2017, and up 1 percent from March 1, 2018. This is the highest June 1 inventory of all hogs and pigs since estimates began in 1964.

Breeding inventory, at 6.32 million head, was up 3 percent from last year, and up 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 67.1 million head, was up 3 percent from last year, and up 1 percent from last quarter. This is the highest June 1 market hog inventory since estimates began in 1964.

The March-May 2018 pig crop, at 33.2 million head, was up 4 percent from 2017. This is the largest March-May pig crop since estimates began in 1970. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 3.12 million head, up 4 percent from 2017. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 10.63 for the March-May period, compared to 10.55 last year.

United States hog producers intend to have 3.17 million sows farrow during the June-August 2018 quarter, up 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2017, and up 4 percent from 2016. Intended farrowings for September-November 2018, at 3.18 million sows, are up 2 percent from 2017, and up 4 percent from 2016.

### Hog inventory and farrowings: Ohio and United States, June 1, 2018

Hogs and pigs	Ohio			U.S.		
	2017	2018	Change	2017	2018	Change
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(Percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(Percent)
Breeding	190	190	0	6,109	6,320	3
Market	2,510	2,710	8	64,901	67,131	3
Under 50 pounds	720	690	-4	20,647	21,387	4
50-119 pounds	720	750	4	18,741	19,388	3
120-179 pounds	630	680	8	13,646	14,198	4
180+ pounds	440	590	34	11,867	12,157	2
Total	2,700	2,900	7	71,010	73,451	3
Sows farrowed, Mar-May	97	88	-9	3,014	3,121	4
Pigs/litter, Mar-May	10.60	11.00	4	10.55	10.63	1
Pig crop, Mar-May	1,028	968	-6	31,790	33,167	4
Sows farrowing, Jun-Aug <sup>1</sup>	97	91	-6	3,121	3,170	2
Sows farrowing, Sep-Nov <sup>1</sup>	100	96	-4	3,130	3,180	2

<sup>1</sup> Current Year Represents Intended Farrowings.

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